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For:	TREATMENT OF AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES, INCLUDING AIDS	: Attorney Docket : No. 0011-1U9 (200011.0115)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to calculation of the filing fee and examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows.

In the Specification:

On page 1, please delete the heading "Background of the Invention" and insert --Cross Reference to Related Applications-- in place thereof. Under this heading, at the beginning of the first sentence, please delete the portion of the sentence "This application" and please insert --This application is a divisional of copending U.S. Application No. 09/306,286, filed on May 6, 1999, which is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 08/995,730, filed on December 22, 1997, which is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 08/771,831, filed on December 23, 1996, now issued U.S. Patent No. 5,888,511 (issued on March 30, 1999), which--

On page 1, please delete the heading "Description of Related Art" and insert --Background of the Invention-- in place thereof.

On page 2, line 3, please delete "AD can come mostly from" and insert -- Autoimmune disease may be the result of-- in place therefor. Also, please delete "from" between or and the, and insert --as the result of-- in place therefor.

On page 2, line 4, please delete "from" and insert --as the result of-- in place therefor.

On page 2, line 5, please delete "come about" and insert --arise-- in place therefor.